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FITZ VIEWS THE PICTURES.

BATISFIED WITH THEM AND SATS THERE IS NO FOUL BLOW.

His Comments on the Fight as He Seco It on Canvas-Declares That "New Journalism" Pictures Are Fakes, and Threatens a Suit for Damages - The Champton's Speech.

Boo Fitzsimmons has seen the veriscope pictures of his fight with Jim Corbett, and is more that satisfied with them. Accompanied by Martin Julian and several friends, the champion west to the Academy of Music vesterday afternoon to take a look at himself in the ring. He had not seen the pictures on films before, and when he took a front chair in one of the upper boxes he was the most anxious spectator in the house, which, by the way, was crowded.

Can you see these pictures plainly ?" Fitz maked THE SUN reporter, who was present You know I haven't seen them yet, and I hope everything will be plain. All this talk by Cor bett about foul blows and robbery is sheer non sense, and unless the pictures have been tampered with they'll prove what I say."

When the first flicker appeared on the canva-Fitzsimmons leaned over the rail of the box, his

eyes as big as half dollars.
"There's me!" he exclaimed. "And there's him, too! What do you think of those bath robes! Ain't they peaches! Wait until we get em off, and then there'll be some scrapping. "There's Muldoon, Housman, and Colville, the timekeepers, as plain as day!" chimed in

Julian, who was at Fitz's cibow.
"How do I shape up f" queried Fitz, as the principals in the pictures began to strip for bat "I'm lighter than he is, but that won't make any difference. Hurry up, now, and get to work!" Just then the first round began and Fitz became excited as he saw himself fighting for the championship of the world.

"Do you see how I'm forcing him ?" he cried. See him backing away. There goes my right straight for the stomach. Now my left! Whew! That was close! He's quick a bit, and gets away! I'll land him, though, later! There's the good old right again, and that's where I busted my thumb. What is he hangin' on to me for like that, ch! Oh, he's only playful, I guess! Now I've got him near the ropes. Whip it in, Bob! Throw it in good and—oh! that's too bad. The round is over and we are going to the corners. I'll leave it to anybody whether I haven't done all the forcing so far."

The champion continued to make comments of this nature, Julian keeping pace with all sorts of sallies, until the sixth round, over which there has been so much talk.

"He's been makin' a monkey of me, has he! Well, the pictures don't show it, that's a cinch. Here's the sixth! Now we'll see whether the big quitter had me licked.

There I go, boring in. That don't look as though I was afraid. Corbett is fighting fast now, but his blows don't hurt. That blood from my lip ain't anything. If I hadn't had that clip on the mouth I wouldn't have had a mark. 'I'm taking all he can give, that's sure, and I

ain't tired. Corbett is fighting himself out, and I'll have him right after this round. There he goes roughing it. We are clinched and he has Just then the Fitzsimmons in the ring was

seen to drop to his knees, his arms slipping down and around Corbett's legs. The Fitzsimmons in the stage box lesped to his feet excitedly and

He threw me. Just got his arm under mine and twisted me over. It wasn't a knockdown, as one can easily see. I'm groggy, eh! Nitt Siler's counting goes for nothing, as he is trying to follow Muldoon, the official timer. Can't you see Muldoon counting off the seconds, there? And there's Jimmy Colville, who is Corbett's official timer! Why doesn't he make a howl about my being down more than ten seconds! Why don't the hundreds of sports who are holding watches around the ring! Eh! Because !

When the Cornishman on the canvas got un and resumed fighting a man in the gallery cried

ock him out, Jim! Give it to him Fitz jumped out of his chair and, looking up toward the place from which the remark had

come, fairly shricked:

He can't do it!" "Don't get excited, Bob," said Julian quietly. "Keep your eyes on the fight." The next moment Julian became excited, and forgetting where he was he yelled to Referee Siler to "get

"I'm groggy, am I I" laughed the champion as the round was concluded. "Well, I'm walking pretty steadily to my corner. I'll bet the big duck is tired, for he flopped into his chair as though glad to be there.

"Here's where I nail him in the stomach!" was the remark as the seventh round began. There goes my left plump into the stomach It's a peach of a punch, ain't it ? I'm at a disadvantage though, in this picture, because Cor-bett's back is turned to the machine and you can't see the body blows I'm driving in. Bu hat don't cut any ice. I'll drop him yet. He's tired now. His arms are hanging down, and he's afraid to move his feet. Why, blame me, if I ain't holding the duck up there in that

"Ow! He soaked me on the nose with his eft. That's about the first good one I've got so far. But his steam's gone, and I'm as strong as

Fitz continued his remarks through the eighth, ninth, and tenth rounds, and kept pointing out the fact that Corbett looked tired.

"I'm letting him do a little work now," he said in the last part of the tenth, " so that I can find out how good he is. His blows are nothing compared to mine, and I'll soon get him now! When the thirteenth round began Bob got up and laughingly remarked:

'Watch me knock his bloomin' teeth out in this round! There's the crack that did it! And he's spitting them out over my shoulder, too! Oh, ho! What do you think of him! I've just told him I'm going to do him, and he ain't laugh-

As the light went out and the appouncer told the crowd that there would be an interval of three minutes before the final round was put on, somebody yelled:

"Speech!" In an instant the crowd burst into loud cheering and Bob finally got up and bowed. When he could make himself heard the cham-

pion said in a clear voice: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: Ever since the fight at Carson I have heard all sorts of talk rom Corbett about foul blows and how he was robbed out of the fight. He has said, 'Wait for the pictures and they'll show how I made a monkey of Fitzsimmons.' Well, I've waited for

them, and you, yourselves, can see who is the monkey. I've forced the fight from the start and I've fought him fairly, squarely, and hon-"I haven't seen this last round, which will be

put on in a few minutes. But I'll bet \$10,000 that the World and Journal faked those pictures which show me hitting a foul. Corbett simply quit and that's all there is to it. You we seen the pictures, and you can judge better than anybody whether I speak the truth or not. You will also be able to say after the last round whether I won fairly or not and whether it is my duty to fight this fellow again. In the fight

where I nall him on the solar plexus and he

As Corbett began to sink Fits leaped once more to his feet and exclaimed:

"See! I've moved away from him and his knees are still off the floor. I defy anybody to say I hit him when he was down. He's sinking slowly and I'm ten feet away. There's one knee just touching the floor now! I fouled him, ch ! It's a'lie, and anybody with half an eye can see that I'm away from him before he is down. Look at him crawling away from me on his hands and knees. If he's strong enough to do that, why doesn't he get up inside of ten sec onds and take his medicine. Because he knows that another punch will knock the senses out of him, and that would be horrid. If he isn't peaten fairly in that picture I'll eat my hat. He ought to have better sense than to tell the pubic to see this reproduction of his downfall."

"Hold on, Bob," remarked Julian, as Fits started to go. "Wait and see Corbett try to create a free fight by slugging you when you

"That's so," replied the Cornishman. "I almost forgot that. Sure enough, there he runs across, fighting away from his gang of seconds, Gentleman Jim! Oh, yes, that's very nice."
"What do you think of the pictures!" asked

the reporter

"Elegant!" was the enthusiastic response "They suit me! They show no foul, and I'm go-ing to sue the World and Journal for damages." "What do you think of yourself as a fighter after seeing yourself in action ?" the reporter

Well, I think for a middleweight I am pretty

Fitzsimmons made his first appearance on the stage in this city last night since the fight at Carson at the Columbus Theatre, Harlem, Every eceived an enthusiastic greeting.

A CARD FROM FITZSIMMONS.

The Champion of the World Discusses the Ph tographed Record of the Corbett Fight,

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Permit me to thank THE SUN for its unbiased and perfect description of the scenes at the first exhibition of the veriscope pictures at the Academy of Music on Saturday night. I was not present myself, but upon my return to New York yesterday several of my friends called upon me who were present at the contest at Carson City and who also witnessed the veriscope reproductions. They told me that THE SUN'S description was perfect to the letter, unprejudiced, and was evidently written by some one who had done his duty as a reporter of the proceedings without seing intercepted by agents of other parties.

I do not wish any more credit than is due me in all fairness. Mr. Corbett and his agents have set the public tongue wagging in a contrary direction to truth and facts. I am teld that the pictures are proof positive that my fight was fair and square in every particular. I don't ask for any other favor than a request that those who feel inclined to view the rive me credit where it is due, and not be ed with sensational newspaper reports from the pens of men who are either not competent or are influenced by conversation or per-

Again thanking you for the favor bestowed by escribing fair-mindedly the scenes of Saturday, can only beg of the American public to judge or itself the truth of the statements cor ing the alleged foul, and whether I did not thrash Corbett fairly, honorably, and well. The veriscope, I am sure, cannot help but reproduce truly. I feel that THE SUN is one of the few newspapers in the country which can be deended upon for truth and justice.

ROBERT FITZSIMMONS, Champion of the World. NEW YORK, May 24.

THE GEORGE S. PAGE DISABLED. ser Lest Two Maste and Most of

NORTHPORT, L. I., May 24.-The schooner George S. Page of New York, Capt. Joel Bunce, came limping into this port in tow of a tug this been carried away, while her mainmast swaved as the vessel proceeded. There was hardly a vestige of a sail left on the schooner, and her general appearance told of a battle with the

When the Page sailed out of the Connecticut River yesterday she was a trim-looking craft, All her sails were set and she started on a trip to New York. When off Middle Island the schooner met with her first mishap. A heavy squall of wind swept across the Sound and the strain of the vessel's foresails carried away her jib stay. The water was too rough to admit of repairs, and the schooner was headed for New Haven. She arrived off there and anchored. The crew repaired the broken stay temporarily and Capt. Hunce decided to remain at anchor until the wind abated. After waiting several hours the Captain considered that the weather had sufficiently moderated to permit of his resuming the voyage. The schooner started out again, but when she was well out into the Sound the wind freshened and was soon blowing a gale. There was a heavy see on and the pitching of the vessel was too much for the jib stay and it parted again.

A little later the foremast and topmast snapped off and the vessel fell into the trough of the sea. After pitching about in the darkness for several hours the schooner was worked in toward Norwalk and came to an anchor off that place shortly before daylight. The remainder of the night the tired sailors spent in getting the traff into shipshape condition, and this morning Capt. Bunce secured a tow to this place.

The schooner will be hauled out here for re-Haven. She arrived off there and anchored.

place.

The schooner will be hauled out here for repairs. Capt. Bunce said to-day it was a surprise to him that the pitching of his vessel did not bring down the mainmast. He lives at Centreport and will superintend the repairs to the schooner.

G. A. R. COURT-MARTIAL.

The Court Refuses to Dissolve on the Order of

ROCHESTER, May 24.—The Grand Army of the Republic court-martial appointed by Past State Commander Graham to hear charges of slander made against Gen. John A. Reynolds was ordered to dissolve to-day by Commander Shaw, who was elected at the encampment last week. The court, which is presided over by former Lieut.-Gov. Saxton, refused to comply with the order, which had been sent on from Commander shaw's headquarters at Albany, on the ground that the order was unofficial, the signature be-ing typewritten. It is believed that this is a subterfuge, and that the court will dissolve any-

how.

After a brief session to-night adjournment was taken until July 8, when the hearing of testimony will be continued. There is great excitoment in G. A. R. circles here over the court's action. Friends of Gen. Chamberlin, who prefers the charges against Gen. Heynolds, say that if the court does not dissolve they will appeal to National Commander Clarkson.

WHEELMAN CHASED BY A DOG. Caught and Pulled from His Wheel and Badly Bruhed-The Bog Milled.

SHANDAKEN, N. Y., May#24.-While riding along the road leading from Allaben to Shandaken on Sunday, Charles Brownlee met a large and flerce black dog. As the wheelman raced by the dog sprang after him. The road is good for a distance of two miles. On sped the wheel, and behind it raced the dog. Looking over his shoulder, the wheelman saw that the dog was gaining on him fast and that its mouth was

my duty to fight this fellow again. In the fight he had the advantage of height and weight and I was handicapped with a broken thumb, yet I licked him, and licked him good."

These remarks were received with tumultuous applause, and then the veriscope man turned on the current.

"Now, we'll see about this alleged foul blowt" wheelman's shoulder, and pulsed him from the wheel. His legs were badly bruised and his shoulder was injured where the dog had bitten him. The whoel was a wreck. Two men who saw the accident killed the dog.

BAPTIST MISSIONARY TO CHINA DENOUNCES THE MILLIONAIRE.

The Roy, W. M. Coasum Tells the Delegates to a Moeting in Pittsburg That Mr. Bockefeller Should Parify Etmself Hefore They Accept

PITTURURG, Pa., May 24 .- A bombehell thrown among the delegates to the Baptist May anniversary could hardly have created more consternation than the words that a missionary from China spoke to-day. John D. Rockefell was the subject of the discourse, and Mr. Rockefeller's premise to donate \$250,000 to the mis sion fund gave rise to the sensational outbreak. The missionary did not impugn Mr. Rockefeller's motives, but he was not long in letting his fellow ministers know that in his opinion at least the nillionaire still had certain preliminaries to perform before his donation could be accepted.

After the conventions had been called to order a lot of routine business was transacted, and after that was out of the way the Rev. W. H. Cossum, who has recently returned from China, was called on to tell of his experiences in that field. As Mr. Cossum mounted the platform and meekly bowed his head for a moment, the delegates settled themselves comfortably for a long address on fereign missions. What they got was a ten-minute philippie on John D. Rockefeller. This is what he said:

"Brothren, I know that what I am about to say will not please all of you and may displease many of you. But I am bold to say what I believe to be right. I must say what is burning within me. It is this: What our denomination needs is not rich men, but holy men. A New York millionaire has offered us a great gift. I say that great gift should not be accepted uness John D. Rockefeller first makes confession to the American people. We must accept no money that does not come from clean hands. Let Mr. Rockefeller purify himself and bring in this gift as a righteous, God-fearing man, and then we

money that does not come from slean hands. Let Mr. Rockefeller purify bimself and bring in this gift as a righteous, God-fearing man, and then we can accept it.

The clerkymen on the platform exchanged looks as the impetuous missionary continued:

"I know I am not saying what Dr. Duncan's man. He knows it, too. But he is not here just now so that I can tell him so. I am aware that what I have said is not the sentiment of this body; but I am bold enough to say what I think should be said regardless of what the world may think."

As the speech closed with these words a little ripple of applause started, but quickly died away. It was evident that the delegates were taken by surprise. The Rev. Joseph Kennard of Chicago followed with a spirited defence of John D. Rockefeller, asserting that the Baptist millionaire is a devout Christian and not a mere worshipper of wealth. He accred Mr. Cossum for his attack on Mr. Rockefeller, and hinted that the young missionary would learn moderation with increased experience in the work.

The Rev. Dr. Mabis followed with a prayer, in which he made reference to the flurry, and prayed that brotherly lave and fellowship might reign in the assemblige. He prayed that the tongues of the various speakers might be ruled by God. President Augustus H. Strong of the Rochester Theological Seminary, the father-inlaw of John D. Rockefeller, occupied a seat on the platform during the attack upon his son-inlaw, but he made no sign of his disapproval, though his face flushed and he looked around as if expecting defenders.

Dr. Duncan, head of the Foreign Missions Society, addressed the convention, urging that some public mark of disapproval of the attack on John D. Rockefeller be made. His remarks were applied heartily, The Rev. Dr. H. L. Morehouse, his voice shaken with emotion, on behalf of the Home Mission Society expressed its disapproval and censure of Missionary Cossum, and characterized Mr. Rockefeller as the noble benefactor of the Baptist denomination, a guileless Christian worker. Gen.

attitude of Mr. Rockefeller toward the societies was above criticism.

The Rev. Mr. Grant of China, a friend of Mr. Cossum, defended his colleague and said that the impression the latter had gained of Mr. Rockefeller's character was derived from reading the newspapers. He did not believe that Mr. Cossum meant to do an injustice to Mr. Rockefeller. A motion to adjourn was made and quickly passed. Upon the fall of the President's gavel a babel of tongues broke loose. There seemed to be few sympathisers with the radical opinions of Missionary Cossum.

MR. ROCKEFELLER'S FLEET.

Owners of Lake Vessels Fear That He Will

CLEVELAND, O., May 24 .- The lake carriers of this region say they now understand what is meant by the recent movement of John D. Rockefeller in the ore carrying business.

During the Gogebic Iron Mountain boom ten

ears ago, Mr. Rockefeller and a few associates invested \$10,000,000 in what appeared to be a promising venture, but which soon develope

into a failure. Mr. Rockefeller awoke to the situation that he must either do a great deal more or count the \$10,000,000 as a loss. He decided to In 1895 he undertook to control the Mesabs

range and the railroads leading therefrom to the lake.

Having acquired control of all of the great ore beds of the upper lakes. Mr. Rockefeller's next move was to construct a large fleet of very large boats in which to convey the ore to the lower lakes. These boats are larger than any other carrying boats that have ever been upon the

lakes.

It was then announced that Mr. Rockefeller purposed to build large furnaces and steel works in which his own ore would be worked up. This brought about a practical consolidation of the Carnegie and Rockefeller interests.

It is now said that Mr. Rockefeller has entered into a contract extending over ten years to carry ore and coal at a rate so low that no one can compete with him.

If other beats could set cargoes they could not

other boats could get cargoes they could not ver them at the Rockefeller rate. The ore ying business, which in ordinary seasons for vicinity alone amounts to \$40,000,000, with 00,000 profit to the carriers, is now absorbed to Rockefeller interests. The owner of a fleet of twelve vessels centre-ing at this port declared to-day that he does not consider his boats worth a sandwich.

BOY KILLED BY A LIVE WIRE. He and Other Boys Had Seen Having Sport with It, Stopping Trolley Care and Cyclists. SYRACUSE, May 24 .- A number of lads this morning had great sport with a live electric wire at the corner of Charles and Milton avenues. The wire had been employed as a guy to

support an electric light pole, but had come lown and crossed a live wire in falling. The down and crossed a live wire in falling. The boys attached it to a piece of barbed wire from a neighbor's fence and laid the latter across the cycle path, from which wheelmen would attempt to remove it in passing and receive a shock. Another trick was to throw it over a trolley wire, making a short circuit and stopping the cars.

Martin Dinehart, a 10-year-old lad, who was playing barefooted about the corner, grasped the wire and, becoming venturesome, ran his hand swiftly across a point where the insulation had worn off. He was standing with bare feet on the tracks of a disused trolley line at the time. The boy died in about eight minutes. He had received about 2,500 volts.

AFRO-AMERICANS AROUSED.

Meeting to Criticise School Commissione Scottrow's Disapproval of a Colored School. The attempt of S. R. Scottrow, the only colored member of the Brooklyn Board of Educa-cation, to break up colored school No. 67 and cation, to break up colored school No. 6, sincidentally to have Principal C. A. Dorsey retired, has stirred up a storm against him on the part of some of his own race, who contend that he is actuated by personal reasons.

A public meeting will held to night in the Thomas Jefferaon building "to express want of confidence in Mr. Scrottow and to request the Mayor not to reappoint him to the Board of Ed-

ucation."
Mr. Scottrow claims that the school has steadily run down, and that it is a waste of money to maintain it any longer. He is also opposed to distinctive colored schools.

Terrific Binti Sterm in Saratoga. SARATOGA, May 24.—One of the most terrifying storms in years spent its fury over Saratoga abortly after 6 o'clock this evening. After a chinding display of electric flashes hall fell until ti completely covered the ground, the stones being larger than walnuts. It is believed that blossoming fruit trees and tender garden plants are greatly injured. Many gardens were out to pieces.

ATTACKED ROCKEFELLER. GREEGE APPEALS TO THE POWERS. CUBANS CAPTURE A TRAIN. the Wants Negotiations Hastened Recause the Turks Are Threatening

> Special Cable Despatches to Tun Sur. ATHENS, May 24.—The Government, adhering o its resolution not to treat directly with the Porte for peace, has urged the diplomats to hasten their negotiations, because the Turks

threaten to resume hostilities. They are bring ing reinforcements into Thessaly and are occu lying strategic positions. It is reported that 20,000 Ottoman troops embarked at Smyrns quite recently. The Greeks have formed a second line of de

ence at Thermopyles.

The leaders of the Cretan insurgents have emowered Col. Stalkes, who commanded the Greek army lately occupying Crete, to inform the Greek Sovernment that they had decided, despite the withdrawal of the Greek troops, to continue their efforts to bring about the union of Crete and Greece, but before they took final steps they would invite instructions from Greece. CONSTANTINOPLE, May 24.—The Government's

dict expelling Greek subjects from Turkey has een suspended by an order issued to-day. The identical note which the representatives of the powers will present to the Porte informing the Turkish Government of the decision of the powers in regard to the Turkish demands upon Greece was drawn up yesterday, but has not yet been presented to the Ottoman Government.

The delay is due to the fact that the Ambassa dors are awaiting the action of the German rep esentative, Baron von Saurma-Jeltsch, who is in turn still awaiting instructions from the Ber in Government, to which he referred the matter on last Wednesday.

LONDON, May 24.—A despatch from Athens dated last evening denies the statement that the Government of Greece has rejected the basis of the peace negotiations suggested by the powers and says that the suggestions of the powers have not yet been officially communicated to the Greek Cabinet. It is true, however, that there has been an informal exchange of views between the Greek Government and the foreign repreentatives, in the course of which the diplo were told that the payment of indemnity by fact that the resources of the country were ex-

In addition to this state of affairs Tore Stra learns from its correspondent in Vienna through a despatch received here at 2:50 P. M. to-day that Germany refuses to join the other powers in respect of the conditions of peace between Greece and Turkey as long as Greece declines to accept beforehand the decision of the Euro pean Governments.

LONG HUNT FOR A MURDERER. Man Arrested in Mexico for a Crime Com

mitted in France Twelve Tears Ago. MEXICO CITY, Mex., May 24 .- A peculiar ar de Virvett murdered his father in Tolosa for life to the penal settlement at Cavenne. After five years he escaped, and no trace of his whereabouts could be obtained by the French

It is now asserted that he came to this city where he has resided for seven years, having em barked in the business as a house painter under the name of Emilio Thorr. The French police have never ceased their search for him. They set a watch on his relatives in France and dis covered that one of them occasionally posted letter directed to Antonio Pable, in Mexico.

The French Government at once notified the Mexican Government that Antonio Pablo was the escaped criminal, Ludovic de Virvett. A detective was put on the case, and for called for letters addressed to Antonio Pablo although several were advertised during that time. Finally a letter came so addressed, and when a man called for it he was promptly ar rested, despite his protests. He easily identified himself as a Consul of one of the South Ameri

On Saturday last a person called for a letter addressed to Antonio Pablo and was immediately arrested. The man who was taken into and, although the descriptions of the convict and Antonio Pablo, or Thorr, do not exactly tally, the authorities are determined to hold the man until they hear from France. The French Consul sent cablegrams this morning ac quainting his Government with the above facts

OUIGG'S DEFI TO TAMMANY.

She Can't Keep Her Bryanism Out of This Year's Fight—No Escaping.

Congressman L. E. Quigg, who is to be elected President of the Republican County Committee to-night, attended the smoker of the Blaine Reablican Club of the Twenty-fifth Assembly dis trict last night and made a speech. Among ther things he said:

"Tammany Hall is trying to get the campaign a-going on local lines. Her leaders have been agging about the administration of the Tam many Mayors who recently held the office. Do they think the memory of the people is so short The administration of the city's affairs by Tamany Hall was proven to be one of blackmail

and extortion. "The Republican party would willingly meet Pammany on local issues, but the campaign is ot to be fought on those lines alone. It is evident already that national party issues will dominate in the campaign. There is no escape from them. They are the issues on which party lines are drawn, and the party feeling is too strong in both camps to make them subordinate to purely local issues.

Mr. Quigg promised victory to the Republican arms in the coming contest, and aroused the en-

thusiasm of his auditors,
Edward Lauterbach, whom Mr. Quigg is to acceed as President of the County Committee, wrote a letter regretting his inability to be present. He, too, declared the issue to be Hryanism and repudiation against the forces of national honesty, and he urged the Republicans of the Blaine Club to stand as firmly for the country's honor as they did in 1896.

FORMER PARDON SAVES HIM. Well-Known Burglar Cannot Be Sentenced

as an Habitual Criminal. COLUMBUS, O., May 24.—James Anderson, one of the best known burglars in the country, and nown as "Burglar Jim," will escape a life sentence in penitentiary by a decision of the Criminal Court here to-day. Anderson is under indictment for a diamond robbery and also under the Habitual Criminal act. The habitual criminal fabilital Criminal act. The natitual criminal feature was assailed on the ground that a pardon by Gov. Bishop, when Anderson was serving one of the two previous sentences, condoned that offence and led to the inference of innocence. The court's decision sustains this view. The heaviest sentence that Anderson can now get will be seven years. A conviction under the Habitual Criminal act carries life imprisonment with it. The question raised was a new one.

THEY WAVED THE BRITISH FLAG. Soutreal Cyclists Come Near Getting Into Trouble in Plattaburg.

PLATTEBURG, N.Y., May 24.—A party of Mont-real bicyclists who celebrated the Queen's birthday by riding to Plattsburg came near getting into trouble here to-day. They were it some thirty strong and boarded a street car. out some thirty strong and boarded a street car.
Each man carried a small English flag, which he
waved defiantly. No notice was taken of them,
and this scemed to arouse their anger. On
board the street car were several soldiers, members of the Twenty-first United States Infantry.
Noticing the uniforms, a demand was made that
the soldiers salute the British flag. They refused, and a fight was imminent, the Canadians
being the aggressors. Wise counsel prevailed,
however, and quiet was restored.

THEIR DYNAMITE DESTROYS THE LOCOMOTIVE AND A CAR.

The Spaniards Surrender and the Patricts Secure Much Food and War Munitions-An American Cities Murdared and Ris Property Seized - Spanish Gunbont Beaten.

HAVANA, via Key West, May 24.-It is reported from Santiago de Cuba that a Spanish nilitary train from Ei Cristo to Songo was attacked by 600 insurgents. The train was carrying troops to reinforce the garrison of Songo. At the first shots of the insurgents the train stopped, and Lieut. Lafuente, who commanded the Spaniards, ordered his men to fire upon the assailants, but at that moment several dynamite bombs, which had been previously placed on the track by the Cubans, exploded, killing Lieut. Lafuente and twelve Spanish privates and wounding thirty-two others. The locomotive and one car were destroyed by the explosion.

The Spaniards surrendered, and the Cubans, after plundering the train and securing a large supply of provisions and munitions of war, burned the remaining cars. Sixty Spanish soldiers and twenty other persons, employees of the railroad and officers of the Spanish Government were made prisoners. Two hours later they were set free by order of Gen. Calixto Garcia.

The Spanish military commander of Songo was afraid to go to the aid of the troops, but waited until they were released and the insurgents were far away. Then he sallied forth and near the town killed two countrymen, one of them a non-combatant and the other a Cuban of his own forces. He then returned to the town, reporting a victory over the insurgents.

Gen. Calixto del Rey, who, as reported exclusively in THE SUN last month, was recalled from Santiago de Cuba by Weyler, on account of his dire defeat by Garcia at Guamo, embarked yesterday for Spain. He said that Weyler is not the man to quell the revolution in Orient. In Gen. Rey's opinion, 200,000 Spanish soldiers in the province of Santiago de Cuba alone could not subdue the Cubans in less than a year.

The commander of the Spanish gunboat Conde de Venadito intended to land some of his crew near Baracoa, to attack a Cuban camp. He despatched a boat to the shore, but half way on the journey two volleys from the Cubans killed several men in the boat and obliged the others to return. The gunboats fired three shots from a cannon without hitting the Cubans. The latter answered with rifles, and killed the Spanish Sergeant, Andres Diaz, who was on the deck of the Conde de Venadito. The gunboat then re-

By orders from Gen. Weyler, the Chief of the Military Administration at Cruces, Santa Clara province, and a well-known merchant of the same place have been arrested. The charge against them is that they were provisioning the Spanish troops with the poorest supplies and charging the highest prices for them. Both men say that the same thing is done all over the island, and that Weyler does not complain when he is made a participant in this robbery of the

treasury.

Guayabales is a small village in the jurisdiction of Cienfuegos, 100 yards from a Spanish fort. Three of the houses are the property of the heirs of an American citizen nam-Otazo. One of the houses has been taken by the Spaniards and used as a fort. The heirs of Otazo dare not protest. Their father was mercilessly slain by the Spanlards, and in spite of a claim presented at Washington nothing has been done. The hapless Otazo was as proud as the late Dr. Ruiz was of being an American citizen. In 1873 he served in the American navy, and when his period of service ended he received an honorable discharge. He never interfered in Cuban politics and thought himself safe from any trouble. But one midnight the Spanish guerrilleros Andrés Vega, a scout; Carlos Rodrigues, Cristobal Lopez, and Dominguez, alias el Isleno, called at his door. He refused to open it, but they told him that he was requested by the Spanish commander to go with them to his fort. Then he went out and walked with the men some yards out of the town, where they assassinated him. He was unarmed. Next day the chief of the Spanish guerrillas, named Marti, publicly boasted at Guayabales of the crime, and said that all American citizens were to meet the same fate There were witnesses of the assassination, but they dare not speak for fear of being murdered themselves. The barbarity which began with the murder of this American citizen has ended with the destruction of the poperty of his

orphans. Consul-General Lee knows of this case and reported it to Washington. Cable news from Madrid announces that Senor Sagasta has declared that the financial situation of Spain is most grave and that the problem of

raising money for continuing the war will be very difficult to solve. The bill demanded by Senor Cauovas from the Cortes for the establishment of the reforms in

Cuba is not likely to pass owing to the strong opposition of the Liberals. A law has been proposed in the Cortes declaring that all attacks upon the army made through the press shall be considered as grave offences and tried before a court-martial.

M'KINLEY'S CUBAN POLICY.

adependence is said to He What the Administration is Aiming At.

WARHINGTON, May 24 -- President McKinley's Cuban policy is still a matter of much uncertainty. He has taken very few of his friends into his confidence on the subject, and even some members of the Cabinet claim to be uninformed as to what, if any, plan the President has decided upon. It appears to be certain now that no definite action of any sort will be taken prior to Mr. Calhoun's return from Cuba, and, while awaiting his report, the President and Judge Day, who has especial charge of Cuban affairs in the State Department, will carefully consider all the information on file. Not a word was said about Cubs during the brief session of the House this morning, and, notwithstanding the anxiety of the enthusiastic friends of the Cuban cause to secure action upon the Senate belligerency resolution, it is evident Speaker Reed, Chairman Hitt, and Leader Ding-ley have resolved to prevent action or debate on the resolution until the President indicates his

ley have resolved to prevent action or debate on the resolution until the President indicates his desires.

In the mean time all sorts of reports are in circulation as to the part that the Executive will play in ending the war and bringing about Cuban freedom. All that is definitely known, however, is that it is the intention of the President and his Cabinet to use the good offices of the United States in some manner for the lasting benefit of the insurgents. Cuban independence is what the McKinley Administration is evidently aiming at, and they will probably agree to a policy of intervention on the part of the United States if this shall be found to be what is needed. There are indications that the President has already sounded the Spanish Minister on the subject of medication, based on the reports of Consul-General Lee and other representatives of the United States in Cuba, and that the tentative offer has been declined, as that of Secretary Olney was about a year or so ago. Congressmen who talk with the President daily do not succeed in Bearing much as to the details of his present or prospective policy, but all of them represent him to be enthusiastically in favor of the Cuban cause and determined to de all in his power to assist in making Cuba absolutely and forever free.

The plan of the State Department for the dispower to assist in making Cuba absolutely and forever free.

The plan of the State Department for the distribution of relief to starving Americans in Cuba will probably be decided to-morrow. Assurances have been received that no duties will be charged against relief supplies imported into Cuba from the United States.

Col. Sauguily Going to Venezuela for Cube Col. Manuel Sangutly has been appointed representative of the Cuban republic in Venezuela by Mr. T. E. Palma, and will leave this city on June 3. Col. Sanguily fought during the ten years' war in Cuba. and was twice wounded. He is the brother of Gen. Julio Sanguily, who was imprisoned for two years in the Cababas in Hayana. tive of the Cuban republic in Venezuel

FLORENCE BLYTHE WINS.

But the Lawyers Will Get Over Two-thirds the Large Hlythe Estate.

San Francisco, May 24.—The dismissal by the United States Supreme Court to-day of the appeal of the Gypsy claimants to the Blythe estate practically ends the ten years' litigation for the possession of the \$4,000,000 left by the late Thomas Blythe. His natural daughter, Mrs. Florence Blythe Hinckley, gets what lawyers leave of the big estate. The share of the law-yers will be \$2,750,000, thus leaving \$1,250,000 for the daughter. The lawyer who gets onethird of the whole estate is Attorney-Genera W. H. P. Hart, who took the case on a contin gency. For six years he maintained Florence and her relatives, and furnished the money for

conducting the litigation. The estate consists of nearly the entire block on the north side of Market street, between Kearney street and Grant avenue, covered with ramshackle buildings. In its present dilapidated condition the rents amount to \$12,000 a month. It is hoped that Mrs. Hinckley and the lawyers will erect large office buildings on the block.

DR. PRENDERGAST FLEES. He Wouldn't Pace His Trial in Cincinnati fo

Attempted Blackmail. CINCINNATI, O., May 24.-Dr. J. W. Prender gast, ex-Health Officer of Cincinnati, who was indicted by the Grand Jury for blackmail, the charges being made by the Fraser Medical Com-

pany of New York, has fled from the city. Dr. Prendergast was to appear in the Criminal Court this morning to answer to the charge His attorney received a letter from him in which he said that public sentiment has been so arouse by reason of developments of crookedness among officials recently that no accused official could

have a fair trial. The Doctor further said in the letter that he was going to the West for a month or two, and at the end of that time would certainly return for trial. The attorney said he had not th slightest knowledge of where the Doctor had gone, and said he was amazed at his action. His bond of \$1,000 was declared forfeited.

DUEL IN LOUISIANA.

Public Official and an Editor Shoot at Twentyfive Paces-No One Murt.

New ORLEANS, May 24.-A duel, the first fought in Louisiana in several months, is reported from Lafayette, growing out of the late town election. The Lafayette Advertiser severely criticised the men in charge of the municipal elections. J. D. Veazey, Commissioner of Elections, met the editor of the Adver tiser, H. H. Vandercruyssen, and knocked him down. The editor, as soon as he reached his office, sent a challenge to his assailant, which was accepted, and the same afternoon the two men met on the field of honor and exchanged shots at twenty-five paces. No one was hurt, but it was declared that honor had been satis

SAVED BY STORM CAVES.

Few Persons Injured by the Tornado That Nearly Destroyed Qerral. PERRY, Oklahoma, May 24.-The little town of Qerral, in the Chickasaw Nation, was struck by a tornado an Sunday and almost wiped out. Nearly every residence and business house was blown down. Several persons were injured,

the time and were saved. The deluge of rain that followed did great damage to farms. FIRST COUSINS MUSTN'T MARRY.

Most of the population were in storm caves at

Mr. Donaldson and His Wife Indicted for Vio lating the Law. CARLYLE, Ill., May 24.-William Donaldson and his wife, who recently married against the wishes of the groom's parents, have been indicted because they are first cousins and their marriage is contrary to the law of the State,

which prohibits such marriages. No arrests have been made.

ABSCONDER MADE RECEIVER. Work at Cripple Creek Bight Off. WHERLING, W. Va., May 24.-Harry Clark, the cashier of the Bridgeport, O., National Bank, who absconded two weeks ago, is in Cripple Creek, Col. Within a week after his arrival at Cripple Creek he was appointed receiver for a failing bank there, the name of which is un falling bank there, the name of which is unknown to his friends, who were apprised of the
fact in a letter received by Mrs. Clark to-day.

It is said that Clark's success in Cripple Creek
was the result of an intimate acquaintance with
Joseph Bates, who is prominent in Colorado
financial circles. When made receiver of the
bank, Clark's friends at Cripple Creek were not
aware of the circumstances under which he left
Bridgeport.

MET DEATH THROUGH A JOKE.

Colored Boy Pushes White Boy Into the River Falls in, and Is Drowned Fourteen-year-old George Snell of 341 West Forty-first street was shoved into the North River yesterday from the dock at the foot of Canal street by John H. Ferguson of 309 West
Thirty-seventh street, a colored boy with whom
he was playing, apparently as a joke. The little
negro rolled in after him.
Henry Bennett of 20 Beach street, a truck
driver, who was near by, jumped in after them
and seized the first who came up. It was Snell.
He hauled him ashore. The colored boy sank
out of sight before any one could reach him. His
body was not recovered.

WOMAN CYCLIST INJURED.

Run Down by a Belivery Wagon While Wheeling in Lexington Avenue. Miss Laura Padden of 330 West Thirty-sixth street, while wheeling uptown on Lexington avenue yesterday afternoon, turned from the left to the right side of the road. One of Arnold, Constable & Co.'s delivery wagons, driven by Edward Buffi of 151 West Twentieth street, was passing rapidly up the street at the time.

The horses knocked Miss Padden to the pavement. Her right knee was sprained and she was badly shaken up. Buffi was arrested and Miss Padden was taken to Bellevue Hospital in an ambulance.

BICYCLE RIDER ROSE AND FELL Man and Wheel Blown Up by Exploding Gas

William Garner of Cropsey avenue and Bay Seventeenth street, Bath Beach, went bicycle riding on Eighteenth avenue last evening. At the junction of Eighteenth and Benson avenue is a manhole over a gas main, and Garner tried to ride over it. As he crossed the manhole the gas in the subway exploded and Garner and his bicycle were blown into the air. Garner fell on his head, receiving a bad scalp wound Both tires of the sleycle were punctured, and the frame was badly broken.

ART STUDENTS LOCKED IN. Policeman Gets a Ladder and They Climb Out of the Institute.

Miss Crimmins, Walter M. Mohr, and John Wefterberg, students at the Artists' Institute at 140 West Twenty-third street, were accidentally locked in the building last evening. After trying unsuccessfully to get out at all

the exits of the place they managed finally to

the exits of the place they instanged among the attract the attention of Policeman Jordan of the West Thirtieth street station.

The policeman borrowed a ladder, put it up to the transom of a door on the ground floor, and the imprisoned students managed to climb out. WASHINGTON, May 24.—The New York World

will no longer be placed on file in the Metropolitan Club in this city. Premium on Gold in Montes.

THEY DESERT THE CORTES.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

ALL THE LIBERALS AND SOME CON-SERVATIVES WITHDRAW.

Canovas Addresses Soth Houses and Begs the Beaerters, for Love of Spain, to Return to Duty-They Are Beaf to His Appenl-It is

Said the Country Will Not Sustain Him. Special Cable Despatch to Tun Sev. Madrid, May 24 .- As a result of the quarrel between the Duke of Tetuan, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Schor Comas, a Liberal member of

the Senate, the Liberals and the principal dissi-

dent Conservatives absented themselves from both houses of the Cortes to-day. Prime Minister Canovas made successive addresses in the Senate and Chamber of Repreentatives, declaring that, inasmuch as the Tetuan-Comas incident had been settled, he saw no reason for the attitude of the Opposition,

which seemed designed merely to compel a

crisis. He appealed to the patriotism of the absentees in the presence of grave international troubles. saying that love of country should lead them to resume their duties.

He hinted that it was specially desirable that Señor Sagasta, the Liberal leader, should return. and thereby contradict the rumors regarding his

attitude toward Cubs and the United States. In conclusion, Senor Canovas declared that whether the absentees returned or not, the Government would continue to carry on the public business.

The Government supporters then adopted a resolution requesting the President of the Chamber of Representatives to attempt to influence the absentees to return to their legislative duties.

LONDON, May 24 .- A despatch to the Times from Madrid says that the position taken by Señor Canovas has produced much indignation, and deepened the determination of the Liberals to absent themselves from the Cortes until they receive satisfaction. The country, the Times's correspondent adds, will certainly not indorse the Prime Minister.

FRANK THOMSON'S VIEWS. After a Trip Out West He Finds the Business Outlook Improved.

PHILADELPHIA, May 24.-President Frank Thomson of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company returned to-day from an inspection tour over the lines. He said: "I did not have as much opportunity to meet representatives of important business interests as I would have desired. However, from those I did sec, I learned that the volume of business had

not as yet increased, but there is decidedly more

hopeful feeling. In Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Cleve-

and, Louisville, Indianapolis, and Chicago I

found that the tendency toward improvement is

strong. The universal opinion in the West is that the crops of the coming season will be un-usually heavy. Altogether I came back with the feeling that the time is not far distant when we will see a decided improvement in railroad traffic. will see a decided improvement in railroad traffic.

"If it is possible to obtain some favorable legislation at the hands of Congress, which will enable railroad managers to feel more confident in the future. I have no doubt that additional expenditures by the railroads will contribute very largely toward the restoration of good times.

"The commercial depression has been felt most severely in the fron and steel business, and as the Pennsylvania system of railroads passes through the districts most directly interested in that kind of traffic, we naturally feel the depression more keenly than some of the other roads. However, the tendency toward improvement is strong, and I believe the country will in a short while begin to feel the effects of a general trade revival."

LINEMAN KILLED BY A LIVE WIRE.

He Fell from the Pole, His Body Striking a Companion, Breaking His Collar Bone. BINGHAMTON, May 24 .- James Campbell, a lineman, while repairing wires on a pole on Court street this morning, came in contact with a live wire. He fell to the ground, twenty-five feet below, and was instantly killed. As R. L. feet below, and was instantly killed. As R. I., Smith, his companion was about to climb the pole he saw Campbell writhing in agony at the top, and before he could get from under the body of the falling man struck him on the chest, breaking his collar bone and his arm.

A large hole was found burned through Campbell's clothing near the heart. The flesh was also badly blistered, and it is thought he was dead before striking the pavement. Smith was taken to the hospital and is in a precarious condition. He is thought he internally injured.

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Miss Van Ingen's Sudden Beath. Miss Elizabeth Van Ingen, who had been connected with the Brooklyn Library for the past thirty years, died suddenly yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Joy at 191 Joralemon street. She left the library about noon and walked around the corner to Mrs. Joy's house for lunch, She was seated at the table when stricken, She was scated at the table when stricken, Three doctors were hastily summoned, but they could afford no relief and she died in a few moments. The body was taken to her late home at 132 Second blace. Miss Van Ingen was born in this city sixty-one years ago and was a relative of E. H. Van Ingen, the woollen merchant. For many years she had charge of the reading room in the Brooklyn Library.

LOUISVILLE, May 24.-Johnson Smith, who killed Deputy Sheriff Patterson of Monroe county last week, is on Turkey Neck Island, in the Cumberland River, just over the Tennessee line, and he and the pursuing posse have ex-changed several shots. As he is well armed and has the advantage of being bidden, the posse had not advanced upon him, and, as Smith is satisfied that he will be lynched, he will prob-ably make a desperate stand.

Druggist Killed by the Fomes of Cyanide of

Potassium. BINGHAMTON, May 24.-F. M. Bailey, who recently opened a drug store in this city, was found dead this morning by his clerk. He had been endeavoring to pulverize cyanide of potas-sium and the fumes overcame him. He came here from New York, where he conducted a store

Miss Revin, Banker Spaiding's Protege, in Benver CHICAGO, May 24.-Sarah Louise Ervin, former Banker C. W. Spalding's protégé, is in Denver at present. At the office of her attorneys is was said that Miss Ervin had simply gone to Colorado to recuperate. She is the guest of her brother, and will remain several weeks, accordlding's case will not come up for trial until

next week. CHARLESTON, S. C., May 24 .- J. H. Doscher, &

State brewer, was seriously shot this afternoon

by J. V. Hyer, a State dispenser. The brewery

in which the men work is run by the State, and trouble between the two officials has been on foot for some time. Hyer fired three times, only one ball taking effect, however, and that strik-ing Doscher just below the hip. He will not die. 150 Bicycle Tires Punctured in One Street. Boston, May 24.-Columbia street is a short but busy thoroughfare in the retail district, and this street has literally been a pathway strewn with thorns for wheelmen for the past few days. The tires of over 150 hiercles have been nunctured by two-pronged sole fasteners that have been strewn in the street by some malicious person with a grudge against bicycles.

Mitt Beclined the Spanish Mission

WASHINGTON, May 24 .- President McKinley several days ago offered the Spanish mission to Representative Hitt of Illinois, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, was di-clined it. MEXICO CITY, Mexico, May 24.—Gold sold at 166's here to-day.